(c) what is Government's policy with regard to the manufacture of motor cars?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) The following proposals have been received for the manufacture of Lada cars in the domestic tariff area:—

Name of applicant	Annual capacity	Name of collaborator
1. Mrs. Nirlep Kaur, Chandigarh	50,000 Nos.	1. M/s. Autoexport USSR
2. Sh. P.K. Aggarwal, Bombay	50,000 ,,	2. —Do—
3. M/s. Asian Vehicle Industries Ltd., N. Delhi	50,000 ,,	3. M/s. Autoexport M/s Volga Automobiles
4. M/s. Sikkim Lada Ltd., Gangtok	50,000 ,,	4. M/s. Autoexport V./O. Prommash/export

(c) Adequate capacity has already been created in this line of manufacture to meet the projected demand. Setting up of a new unit for the manufacture of passenger cars is therefore not being encouraged.

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में अनुसूचित जाति/अनुसूचित जनजाति प्रकोष्ठ

1513. श्रीमती सत्या बहिन : क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में अनुसूचित जातियों तथा अनुसूचित जनजातियों के कर्मचारियों की शिकायतों को निपटाने और उनके हितों की देखभाल करने के लिए अनुसूचित जाति के एक अधिकारी के स्थान पर एक गैर-अनुसूचित जाति के अधिकारी को नियुक्त किया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं;

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि यह नियुक्ति नियम विरुद्ध है; और

(घ) क्या इस कार्यवाही से हरिजन कर्मचारियों में असंतोष पैदा हो गया है?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री ब्रह्म दत्त) : (क) अनुसूचित जाति और जनजाति के अभ्यावेदनों से संबंधित मामलों के संबंध में 20-1-88 को नियुक्त मंत्रालय का वर्तमान संपर्क अधिकारी आज की तारीख में भी उसी हैसियत से कार्यरत है।

वर्तमान अधिकारी अपने पूर्वाधिकारी की तरह ही गैर अनुसूचित जाति का अधिकारी है।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(ग) और (घ) जी, नहीं।

Purchases by B C C L

1514. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total amount of purchases by B C C L during the last three years, yearwise;

(b) what were the purchases from the public sector and the private sector, indigenous and foreign, year-wise, during the above period; and

(c) what were the details of purchases from the industries in Dhanbad and outside in each year?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) and (b) Yearwise purchases made by Bharat Coking Coal Limited from the public and the private sector, indigenous and foreign,

during the last three years are given be low:

(*Rs. in lakhs*)

Year	Public Sector	Private Sector	Total
86-87	8,546.64	8,024.78	16,571.42 Indigenous — 16,366.29 Foreign 205.13
87-88	10,398.14	13,091.87	23,490.01 Indigenous — 18,726.05 Foreign — 4,763.96
88-89	5,716.84	8,359.58	14,076.42 Indigenous — 12,848.50 Foreign — 12,27·92

(c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Conservation of fuel and gas

1515. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the measures taken up to conserve fuel and natural gas;

(b) whether any incentives are proposed to be offered for fuel and gas economy measures; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) to (c), A statement giving the requisite information is attached.

Statement

(a) The measures taken to conserve fuel include:—

(1) up-gradation of technology to manufacture fuel efficient vehicles and revision in fuel efficiency norms;

(2) standardisation of bus chassis and design of bus bodies;

(3) replacement of inefficient oil fired boilers with efficient ones;

(4) fuel oil utilisation studies in industrial units and in State Transport Organisations for adopting more efficient practices;

(5) implementation of integrated energy audit in major consuming industries;

(6) development of fuel efficient equipment/devices like kerosene/LPG stoves and lubricants;

(7) rectification of diesel operated pumpsets;

(8) Excise rebate on pressure cookers, etc.

As regards gas, the following measures to reduce flaring of gas have been taken:—

(1) augmenting compression facilities;

(2) encouraging fall-back consumers to take gas when the regular consumers fail to do so; and

(3) developing additional consumers to improve the low offtake caused by low delayed offtake of committed consumers.

(b) and (c) The following subsidy schemes are offered/available:—

(1) Energy Audit Subsidy Scheme (EASS) for conducting energy audits in various industries through empanelled energy auditors;

(2) Equipment Finance for Energy Conservation Scheme (EFECS) for installation of equipment for effecting energy conservation in the existing plants;